

WILL PURSE CLAIMED

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NO HOPE ELSEWHERE

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SILVER MAN, ALL RIGHT ENOUGH, BUT NOT IN THAT WAY.

Thinks the National Convention the Place to Make Platforms—Meeting Passes Sixteen to One Resolutions.

Denver, Colo., July 2.—Just thirty persons were assembled in Turner hall this morning for the Democratic mass convention for the consideration of the financial question. Chairman Arbuckle, of the state central committee, who issued the call for the meeting at the request of the committee, was not present but sent a letter discouraging radical action. The letter was read by the secretary. He said that the national convention next year would be the proper place to settle the financial question. His letter concluded as follows:

"In my opinion the action of the Illinois Democracy in passing resolutions of condemnation was impolitic and disgraceful. Such work is positively detrimental to western interests. It alienated support which should be retained. And the action of the Illinois convention in electing delegates to a national convention not called by the authority of the national committee is a gross breach of political etiquette and discipline. It is in my opinion a gross error. The letter was received in silence, while one from Charles S. Thomas, strongly endorsing the convention and its purpose was received with cheers. Secretary Newell announced upon the action of certain office holders in trying to prevent an expression by the meeting lest it might hurt their political chances.

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The attendance at the afternoon session was somewhat larger than that of the morning. Immediately upon reassembling the resolution committee made the following report:

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